

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2031

Introduced by Assembly Member Cogdill

February 13, 2004

An act to amend Section 26614 of the Government Code, relating to search and rescue.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2031, as introduced, Cogdill. Search and rescue.

Existing law provides that the board of supervisors of a county may authorize the sheriff to search for and rescue persons who are lost or are in danger of their lives.

This bill would require the board of supervisors, when assigning responsibility to a lead agency for search and rescue, to give great weight and consideration to the likelihood of a future criminal investigation as a result of search and rescue activities.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 26614 of the Government Code is
2 amended to read:
3 26614. The board of supervisors of a county may authorize
4 the sheriff to search for and rescue persons who are lost or are in
5 danger of their lives within or in the immediate vicinity of the
6 county. The expense incurred by the sheriff in the performance of
7 ~~such~~ those duties shall be a proper county charge. *Search and*
8 *rescue responsibilities shall be assigned, conducted, and*

1 *coordinated in a manner that ensures the maximum likelihood of*
2 *a successful rescue. When assigning responsibility to a lead*
3 *agency for search and rescue, the board of supervisors shall give*
4 *great weight and consideration to the likelihood of a future*
5 *criminal investigation as a result of search and rescue activities.*

